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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed November 18, 2002, 2002, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group II, claims 1, 2, 4, 6-44, 46, 48-67 and 69-95, drawn to compounds of the formula shown in claim 1 wherein X or W is a nitrogen and the other carbon, and including any compositions, methods of use and processes of making those compounds. Applicants' election is made with traverse, believing that a complete search of all groups can be made without undue burden on the Office.

In response to the election of species requirement, Applicants' elect compound 9 (Example 9). Claims embracing the elected species include claims 1, 2, 6, 8-10, 12-14, 16-18, 20-30, 32-34, 36, 38-39, 42-44, 48, 50-52, 54-56, 58-60, 62-65, 69, 71-73, 75-77, 79-81 and 83-95.

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